



Point Sur to Point Mugu

Outreach/Education:
Helping Seabirds Thrive



The Goal of SPN Outreach...

to help seabirds thrive
by reducing human
disturbances to sensitive
seabird breeding colonies.





SEABIRD PROTECTION NETWORK

Point Sur to Point Mugu

Outreach Focusing on
the Morro Bay to
Pismo Beach
Seabird Populations



● Point Sur

● Cambria

● Cayucos

● Morro Bay

● Pismo Beach

● Goleta

● Montecito

● Santa
Barbara

● Carpinteria

● Ventura

● Point Mugu

● Malibu

■ Seabird Colony

Overview of Outreach to Kayakers, Boaters and Coastal Explorers



Seabird AWARE Brochure



Tufted Puffins. PRBO files.

Why is human disturbance a problem for nesting seabirds?

Human disturbance causes a change in an animal's normal behavior. In marine environments, such disturbances are typically caused by close approaches from the water, air, or land. Their effects range from minor to disastrous:

- Birds are distracted from normal activities, but don't fly away.
- Parents spend less time tending young.
- Parents fly away from nest, leaving eggs or chicks vulnerable to predators and cold.
- Nests are destroyed.
- Parents are injured or killed.
- Seabirds produce fewer young.
- Seabirds entirely abandon their colony.

Report Disturbance Violations

Call NOAA Enforcement Hotline at 800/853-1964 or the California Department of Fish & Game's CALTip Hotline 883/334-2258 (888/DFG-CALT) with the following information:

1. Your name and contact information;
2. Time, location and cause of incident;
3. Which and how many birds were disturbed;
4. Number of people involved;
5. Description of craft(s) involved: complete registration numbers, type, military/civilian, color, number of engines, wing design;
6. Estimate distances and altitudes in reference to landmarks and permanent objects.

Learn more about Seabird Conservation



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Raising our Seabird Awareness

Seabirds depend on a mix of marine habitats to survive. Though seabirds spend most of their lives at sea, they must come ashore to rest, nest, and raise young—often in great colonies.



TO DOWNLOAD THIS MAP, VISIT WWW.PRBO.ORG/SEABIRDAWARE

Seabirds are highly sensitive to human disturbance during their nesting season, while resting on cliffs and shores, and while looking for nest sites. These activities occur at the nesting sites between January and September. A single disturbance can cause the loss of eggs and chicks, or permanent desertion of the nest colony.

SEABIRD AWARE



Booby's Constant in display pose.
Photo by Peter G. Johnson



Simple ways to share our coast with birds

Morro Bay Winter Bird Festival




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Welcome to the Seabird Protection Network - Point Sur to Point Mugu

Please join us on our mission to protect, monitor, interpret, restore and enjoy the seabird populations from Point Sur in southern Monterey County to Point Mugu at the southern end of Ventura County



A flock of Brandt's Cormorants over the ocean.



SEABIRD PROTECTION NETWORK
— Helping Seabirds Thrive —

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Coastal Cleanup Day Outreach - Avila Beach Sea Life Center



Seabird Protection Network Interpretive Panels

WELCOME TO THE CALIFORNIA COASTAL NATIONAL MONUMENT

The California Coastal National Monument is made up of the more than 20,000 small islands, rocks, exposed reefs, and pinnacles along the California coast. All of the land features you see within 12 nautical miles from the shoreline during high tide are part of this Monument.

PRISTINE THROUGH PARTNERSHIPS

Even though California's coastline is one of the most popular routes in the world, the offshore features will remain pristine and safe for wildlife because of its special protection as a national monument.

The Bureau of Land Management manages the California Coastal National Monument and works with private citizens and organizations such as the **Morro Coast Audubon Society** and **PRBO Conservation Science**, as well as government partners, **California Department of Fish and Game**, **California State Parks**, and others, to preserve habitat for seabirds, seals, and sea lions.

FOR THE BIRDS

We are all working together here as part of the **California Seabird Protection Network**.

The Network is actively:

- Facilitating seabird education and outreach
- Enlisting citizen scientists in monitoring projects
- Coordinating protection across boundaries

1 Black Oystercatcher



2 Western Gull



3 Brandt's Cormorant



Photos by Ron Le Valley

5 Pelagic Cormorant



4 Pigeon Guillemot



PLEASE JOIN US!

Visit us at www.blm.gov/ca/ccnm/spn or call the California Coastal National Monument at (831) 372-6115 for more information on how to join the Seabird Protection Network from Point Sur to Point Mugu including volunteer opportunities and events.

YOU CAN PROTECT SEABIRDS

Seabirds are highly sensitive to close approaches by boats, aircrafts, and hikers. One incident of disturbance can cause breeding failure. Follow these tips to reduce human disturbances:

WHOSE NEST IS THAT?

By knowing where seabirds prefer to nest, you can identify them from a distance and avoid disturbing them during sensitive nesting seasons.



- Stay 1,000 feet away from seabird colonies (about 3 football fields)
- Recycle or dispose plastics, hooks, and line safely—not in the water

- Be aware of signs of disturbance, like head bobbing, fluttering, and calling
- Keep aircraft 2,000 ft. above ground level

Zac Denning
Artwork adapted from
PRBO Conservation Science
(Artist - Zac Denning)

Coastal Discovery Center Seabird Exhibit



Seabird Junior Ranger Program



Seabird Junior Ranger Pledge

I, _____, pledge to be seabird safe.

I will stay 1,000 feet back from seabirds.

I will be careful when hiking coastal trails,
kayaking or boating where seabirds nest and
roost. I will only feed myself and
never wildlife.

At home I will protect wildlife by using
less plastic and by recycling.

I will be seabird safe!



Seabird Field Guide



Point Sur to Point Mugu



Seabird Field Guide

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Kayak Stickers



Seabird Adaptation Program



Annual Coastal Discovery Fair



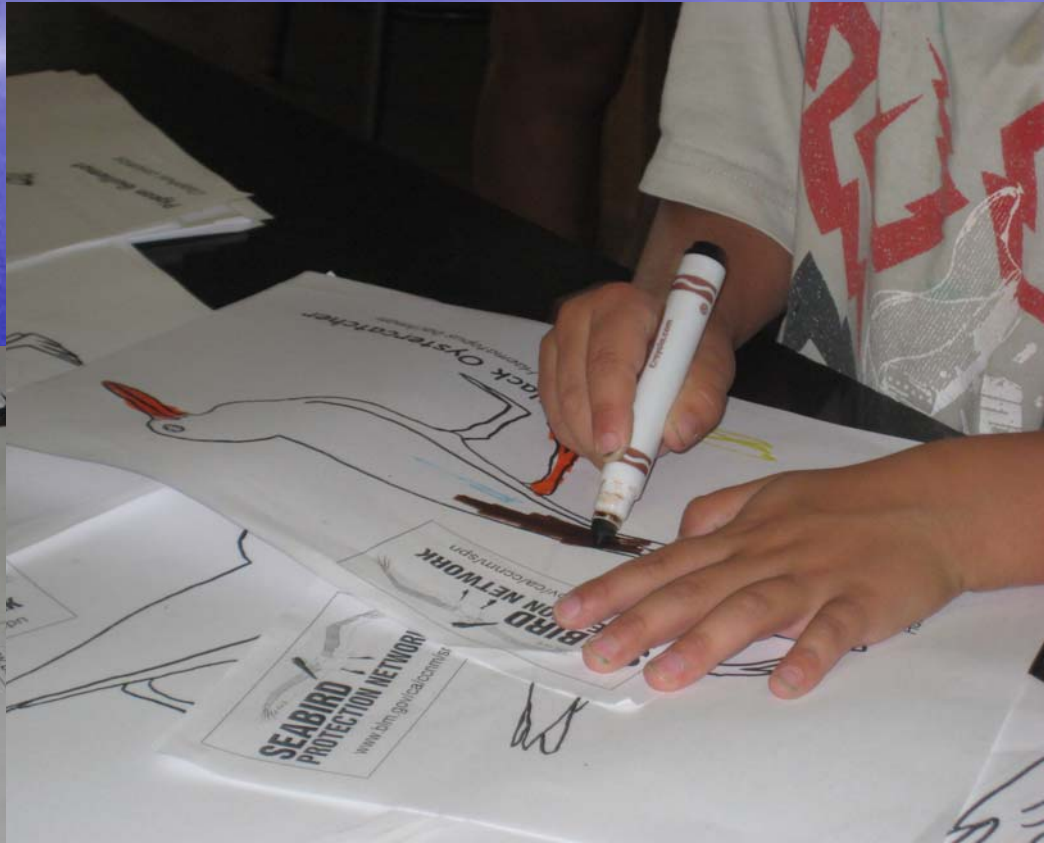
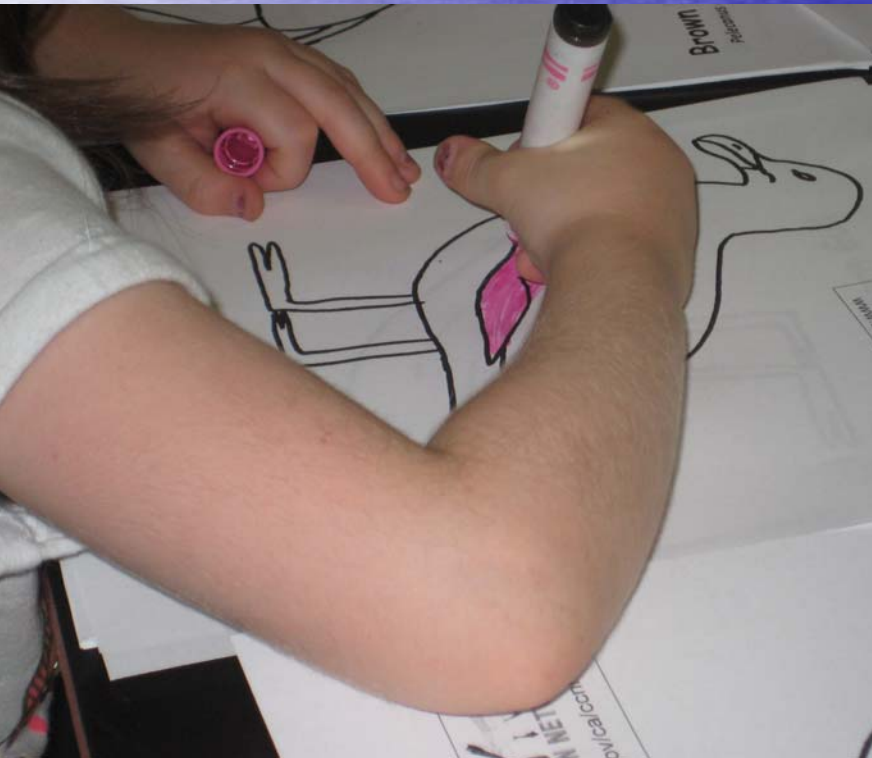
Pigeon Guillemot Chick Craft



Seabird Olympics



SPN Coloring Pages



Outreach Presentation for Kayakers, Boaters and Coastal Groups



Outreach Stations on the Bluffs Beginning this Spring!



Model Portable Outreach Station



Thank You!



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